

COUNTRY Eastern Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Military Information from Eberswalde

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EVALUATION

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During the period from 25 to 28 September 1952, troops were being entrained at the Eberswalde (N 53/V 08) railroad station. [redacted] the Schuetzen Kaserne on Bernauer Heerstrasse and the Artillerie Kaserne on Freienwalder Strasse were occupied.

At 10 a.m. on 25 September, 3 T-34/85 tanks [redacted] proceeded through the town to the Artillerie Kaserne. Thirteen JS-3 tanks [redacted] and 5 or 6

trucks were being unloaded at the railroad station. They then moved toward the barracks installations. Boxes and billeting equipment were seen on the loading ramp. The equipment was hauled away by 8 trucks, [redacted]

At 8 p.m., 12 JS-2 tanks, [redacted] were unloaded and then proceeded to the barracks installations. At 10:30 a.m.

on 28 September, 13 boxcars loaded with personnel and an undetermined number of flatcars loaded with 38 trucks, 10 x 57-mm AT guns, 7 model M-13 rocket launchers and 1 field kitchen arrived from a northern direction at the Eberswalde railroad station. The locomotive of the train was detached but no unloadings were observed. Nine other model M-13 rocket launchers were observed on a siding. At 2 p.m., 2 JS-2 tanks and 12 model SU-249 guns [redacted] were being detrained.

Seventeen trucks occupied by personnel and loaded with billeting equipment, [redacted] proceeded through the town toward the barracks installations. At 6:30 a.m. on 29 September, a train without a locomotive and loaded with 30 trucks and jeeps was observed on a siding. In the evening hours, all the quartering buildings of the Artillerie Kaserne were lighted. *

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* [redacted] Comment. The report indicates that elements of the head-quarters and headquarters units of the Fourth GIs Mecz Army and the bulk of the 6th GIs Mecz Div probably returned to their posts prior to 28 September. [redacted]

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[redacted] After 29 September, this installation appeared to have been occupied to capacity. [redacted]

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[redacted] probably two trains loaded with units of the 6th GIs Mecz Div arrived in Eberswalde on 26 September. From the fact that troop shipments from Templin took place between 21 and 26 September, it is concluded that some of the trains reported in the present report came from Templin. However, it is believed that other trains came from the training area south of Rathenow where elements of the army had held exercises, which lasted from 23 until probably 27 September. [redacted]

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